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approved port where facilities for sterilization or other treatment in accordance with part 305 of this chapter are available, or it shall be refused entry.

- (d) Other conditions of entry as applying to the certain classes of articles enumerated in §319.41–1 are:
- (1) Broomcorn. All importations of broomcorn shall be so baled as to prevent breakage and scattering in connection with the necessary handling and sterilization; if in the judgment of the inspector they are not so baled, entry may be refused. All importations of broomcorn shall be subject to such sterilization or other treatment in accordance with part 305 of this chapter as the inspector may require.
- (2) Articles made of broomcorn. Brooms or similar articles made of broomcorn shall be subject to sterilization unless their manufacture involves the substantial elimination of stems or such treatment of the included stems as in the judgment of the inspector shall preclude such articles from being the means of carriage of the European corn borer and of other injurious insects and plant diseases.
- (3) Shelled corn and other seeds. If shipments of shelled corn and seeds of the other plants from countries other than those named in §319.41–1 (b)(2) are found upon inspection at the port of arrival to be appreciably fouled with cobs or other portions of the plants the inspector may require sterilization or other treatment in accordance with part 305 of this chapter or may refuse entry.

[24 FR 10788, Dec. 29, 1959, as amended at 75 FR 4252, Jan. 26, 2010]

$\S 319.41-6$ Importations by mail.

In addition to entries by freight or express provided for in §319.41–5, importations are permitted by mail of mature corn on the cob from the countries specified in §319.41–1(b)(2), and clean shelled corn and clean seed of the other plants covered by §319.41, provided that a permit has been issued for the importation in accordance with §§319.7 through 319.7–5 and all conditions of the permit are met.

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Subpart—Rice

QUARANTINE

§ 319.55 Notice of quarantine.

- (a) The fact has been determined by the Secretary of Agriculture, and notice is hereby given, (1) that injurious fungous diseases of rice, including (Sclerospora mildew downy. macrospora), leaf smut (Entyloma oryzae), blight (Oospora oryzetorum), glume blotch (Melanomma glumarum), as well as dangerous insect pests, new to and not heretofore widely prevalent or distributed within and throughout the United States, exist, as to one or more of such diseases and pests, in Europe, Asia, Africa, Central America, South America, and other foreign countries and localities, and may be introduced into this country through importations of seed or paddy rice, rice straw, and rice hulls, and (2) that the unrestricted importation of seed or paddy rice from the Republic of Mexico and of rice straw and rice hulls from all foreign countries and localities may result in the entry into the United States of the injurious plant diseases heretofore enumerated, as well as insect pests.
- (b) To prevent the introduction into the United States of the plant pests and diseases indicated above, the Secretary has determined that it is necessary to prohibit the importation into the United States of seed or paddy rice from all foreign locations except the Republic of Mexico and to restrict the importation of seed or paddy rice, rice straw, and rice hulls from the Republic of Mexico and all other foreign locations, except as otherwise provided in this subpart.
- (c) The Administrator may authorize the importation of articles otherwise prohibited by this subpart under conditions specified in a controlled import permit issued in accordance with §319.6.
- (d) As used in this subpart, unless the context otherwise requires, the term "United States" means the States, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto

Rico, and the Virgin Islands of the United States.

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§319.55a Administrative instructions relating to entry of rice straw and rice hulls into Guam.

Rice straw and rice hulls may be imported into Guam without further permit, other than the authorization contained in this paragraph. The port of entry shall be Agana or such other port as may be satisfactory to the inspector. Such importations may be made without the submission of a notice of arrival inasmuch as there is available to the inspector the essential information normally supplied by an importer at the time of importation. The requirements of §§319.55-6 and 319.55-7 shall not apply. Inspections of such importations may be made under the general authority of §330.105(a) of this chapter. If an importation is found infected, infested, or contaminated by any plant pest and is not subject to disposal under this part, disposition may be made in accordance with §330.106 of this chapter.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

§ 319.55-1 Definitions.

- (a) Seed or paddy rice. Unhusked rice in the form commonly used for seed purposes; the regulations in this subpart do not apply to husked or polished rice imported for food purposes.
- (b) Port of first arrival. The first port within the United States where the shipment is (1) offered for consumption entry or (2) offered for entry for immediate transportation in bond.
- (c) *Inspector*. An Inspector of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs of the United States Department of Agriculture.

§ 319.55–2 Application for permit.

Application for a permit to import seed or paddy rice from Mexico or rice straw or rice hulls from any country may be made to the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs in accordance with §§ 319.7 through 319.7–5.

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§ 319.55-3 Ports of entry.

- (a) For importations of seed or paddy rice from the Republic of Mexico, permits will be issued for entry through Mexican border ports and such other ports as may later be approved by the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs.
- (b) For importations of rice straw and rice hulls from all foreign countries, permits will be issued for entry at New York and Boston and at such other ports as may later be approved by the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs.
- (c) Pending development of adequate treating facilities in Guam, seed or paddy rice, rice straw, and rice hulls that are subject to treatment as a condition of entry therein must first be entered and treated in accordance with the requirements of this subpart at a United States port of arrival where such treating facilities are available.
- (d) Should a shipment requiring treatment arrive at a port where facilities for such treatment are not maintained, such shipment shall either be promptly shipped under safeguards and by routing prescribed by the inspector to an approved port where facilities for treatment are available, or it shall be refused entry

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§ 319.55–5 Notice of arrival by permittee.

Immediately upon the arrival of a shipment at the port of first arrival, the permittee or his agent shall submit a notice, in duplicate, to the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs, through the United States Collector of Customs, or, in the case of Guam, through the Customs officer of the Government of Guam, on a form provided for that purpose, stating the number of the permit, the quantity in the shipment, the locality where grown, the date of arrival, and, if by rail, the name of the railroad company, the car numbers, and the terminal